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Garet talks to Isaac after they make the decision to leave Vale. Isaac listens.

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"I can't believe we're actually leaving Vale. I mean, I always wanted to," Gareth says, idly ripping at the grass he sits on with his fingers. "but I thought it would be the three of us, you know? You, me, and Jenna together on a grand adventure! Not...not like this. It's so much pressure, isn't it?"

Isaac is predictably silent, not that Gareth expects him to suddenly speak or anything, but he leans closer into Gareth's body where they sit, brushing their shoulders together, offering his own kind of comfort.

Gareth appreciates it all the same, perhaps more than he'd appreciate more consoling words like what everyone else in the Village has to offer.

Sometimes silence is better, easier, and Isaac is one of the few people Gareth can voice his thoughts to without interruption, without having to worry about saying the wrong thing or saying the right thing the wrong way.

It's one of the reasons he counts Isaac as his best friend.

"But I understand why you decided we should go on this quest, I want you to know that." Gareth tells him. "I know I was...upset about it, I guess, but I was just surprised. I'm not mad or anything. I put my fate in your hands and you decided and I know it's the right decision."

And it is the right decision, if a rather daunting one but Gareth tells himself to be brave – to be as brave as Jenna has to be right now, with those terrible people, just as brave as Kraden, just as brave as *Isaac* who decided to take on this quest without hesitation.

To be brave and *have faith* .

Isaac is as strong as anyone and Gareth doesn't think he's anything to scoff at, either.

They can do this.

They can bring Jenna and Kraden home and stop Saturos and Menardi.

They have to.